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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Communications Facilities Agreement

Your A-211 of December 2, 1963

The Department concurs in the proposed revisions of the draft communications facilities agreement as submitted in A-211, with the following exceptions.

1. Paragraph 0.2 should be amended to read as follows:

"2. (a) A special post office may be maintained by the mission for the sole purpose of handling official mail and personal mail of United States personnel and their families.

(b) A commissary may be maintained by the mission solely for the use of United States personnel and their families.

(c) In order to simplify administrative procedures, customs or other import duties will not be collected by the Government of Cyprus on articles received by technical and administrative personnel of the mission for personal use through the special post office or by purchase in the commissary, subject to the proviso that:

(1) use of these facilities will be restricted to United States personnel of the mission and their families;

(2) good

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(2) goods are not for resale;

(3) such receipts or purchases will be kept within reasonable limits; and

Why say this?

(4) in addition to the receipt or purchase of such articles, United States personnel will continue to purchase from local sources."

2. Reimbursement of the Government of Cyprus for several years in advance under the present agreement would greatly add to the budget problem the agreement already poses for the interested agencies. Accordingly, should the Cypriots propose such advance reimbursement, the Embassy should refer to our system of annual appropriations and indicate that we are unable to make such advance payments.

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